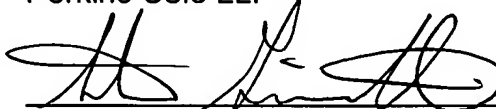


REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the application in view of this preliminary amendment. If the Examiner has any questions or matters that can be expediently handled by telephone, he or she is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (310) 788-3231.

Respectfully submitted,
Perkins Coie LLP



Steven M. Giovannetti
Registration No. 51,739

Date: July 28, 2006

Correspondence Address:

Customer Number 34055
Perkins Coie LLP
Patent – LA
P.O. Box 1208
Seattle, WA 98111-1208
Phone: (310) 788-9900
Fax: (310) 788-3399